Route 713, Bridge over Walker Creek Giles County Project 0713-035-189, P106, B628, C501

Revised Pre-Proposal Meeting Questions and Answers

- **Question 1:** Can you provide an overview sheet showing property owners beyond the actual bridge site (upstream/downstream 1000' +/-)?
- **Answer 1:** No. The current plans provide survey information from tax map resources for property owners within the immediate project area. Additional information beyond this will not be provided.
- **Question 2**: Does the QAM have to be independent of design personnel?
- **Answer 2:** No. Per Section 4.2.3.3 of RFP Part 1, Instructions to Offerors, the QAM shall be independent of all construction operations, not design.
- **Question 3:** Does the QAM have to be <u>on-site</u> (in field office) full time or just <u>assigned</u> to project full time?
- **Answer 3:** Per Section 4.2.3.3 of RFP Part 1, Key Personnel shall be assigned to the project full time but are not required to be on-site full time unless otherwise noted in the position description. The QAM must be assigned to the project full time; however, this person is not required to be on-site full time.
- **Question 4:** Budget \$600,000.00 -Is this cast in stone?
- **Answer 4:** We are not using the term cast in stone. However, per Section 2.5.1 of RFP Part 1, VDOT's current estimated contract value is \$600,000.
- **Question 5:** Will Thrie-Beam guardrail be permitted on bridge?
- **Answer 5:** No. However, per Section 2.2 of RFP Part 2, Technical Requirements, railings shall be either Kansas Corral or Illinois Steel Railings in conformance with VDOT requirements; any other types of railing are subject to Department approval. The Department will consider any alternative railing that has been crash tested to NCHRP Report 350 evaluation criteria and accepted by the FHWA. The Offeror is responsible for providing documentation of this testing and acceptance in support of its proposed design. Open type railings are required on this project to meet hydraulic requirements.
- **Question 6**: Will corrugated galvanized decking for blacktop surface be permitted?
- Answer 6.: Yes.

Question 7: Is government acceptance of all permits expected?

Answer 7: Per Section 2.3.3 of RFP Part 2, Technical Requirements, the Offeror will provide all necessary information to support acquisition of outstanding permits. VDOT will file and obtain permits prior to construction. Acceptance of permits will depend upon the scope of the Offerors proposal and its level of conformance with standards and requirements. If the scope of the project meets standards and regulatory requirements, we would anticipate acceptance/approval.

Question 8: Do Design-Build teams need to expedite this process.

Answer 8: The Design-Build team will need to take whatever actions are necessary to meet the project schedule.

Question 9: Can the Scour Plot for the H&HA be provided to Offerors?

Answer 9: As referenced in Section 2.7.2 of RFP Part 2, VDOT has completed a preliminary H&HA analysis for the conceptual bridge layout depicted in the preliminary design plans. This preliminary analysis does not include the Scour Plot. Therefore it can not be provided.

Question 10: Is the electronic model that was done for the preliminary design for the H&HA available to the design-builders?

Answer 10: Yes, the H&HA model will be provided through the VDOT project website. In addition, VDOT will provide the survey bridge roll that contains up and down stream cross sections along with the site coverage. This information from VDOT is for the conceptual design and does not relieve the Offeror from performing the required preliminary and final H&HA and Scour Analysis to support its design. The above referenced documents can be found at the following website for this project. www.virginiadot.org/business/request-for-proposals.asp

Question 11: With a stated budget of \$600,000, what will VDOT do if all bids exceed this amount? Is additional funding available?

Answer 11: Per Section 2.5.1 of RFP Part 1, VDOT's current estimated contract value for this project is \$600,000.

Question 12: Special Provisions indicate that the QAM shall be a P.E., but the RFP does not (p. 13). Which is required?

Answer 12: Per Section 4.2.3.3 of RFP Part 1 (page 13), the QAM shall be a P.E.